

Chapter 820

(House Bill 554)

AN ACT concerning

Caroline County, Dorchester County, and Kent County – Sheriff – Salary Sheriffs’ Salaries

FOR the purpose of altering the ~~annual~~ salary of the Sheriff of Caroline County to be equal to a certain percentage of the annual salary of the State’s Attorney for Caroline County; altering the salary of the Sheriff of Dorchester County to make it a certain percentage of the salary of the State’s Attorney for Dorchester County; altering the salary of the Sheriff of Kent County to make it a certain percentage of the salary of the State’s Attorney for Kent County; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the annual ~~salary~~ salaries of the Sheriff of Caroline County and the Sheriff of Dorchester County and the Sheriff of Kent County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 2–309(g)(1), (k)(1), and (p)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

2–309.

(g) (1) The Sheriff of Caroline County shall receive an annual salary [of \$80,000] **EQUAL TO 80% OF THE ANNUAL SALARY OF THE STATE’S ATTORNEY FOR CAROLINE COUNTY.**

(k) (1) (i) The Sheriff of Dorchester County shall receive an annual salary
[of:

- 1. \$65,500 for calendar year 2009;
- 2. \$65,500 for calendar year 2010;
- 3. \$85,000 for calendar year 2011;
- 4. \$86,500 for calendar year 2012;

5. \$88,000 for calendar year 2013; and

6. \$89,500 for calendar year 2014.

(ii) For calendar year 2015 and thereafter, the Sheriff of Dorchester County shall receive the same annual salary as paid in 2014] EQUAL TO 80% OF THE ANNUAL SALARY OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR DORCHESTER COUNTY.

[(iii)] (II) The Sheriff of Dorchester County shall be allowed the actual operating costs of the Sheriff's Office, including the maintenance of automobiles.

(p) (1) The Sheriff of Kent County shall receive a salary [of:

(i) \$67,000 for the calendar year 2009;

(ii) \$68,000 for the calendar year 2010;

(iii) \$82,000 for the calendar year 2011;

(iv) \$83,000 for the calendar year 2012;

(v) \$84,000 for the calendar year 2013; and

(vi) \$85,000 for the calendar year 2014 and each calendar year thereafter] EQUAL TO 80% OF THE ANNUAL SALARY OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR KENT COUNTY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, § 35 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary or compensation of the Sheriff of Caroline County, the Sheriff of Dorchester County, or the Sheriff of Kent County while serving in a term of office beginning before the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the Sheriff of Caroline County, the Sheriff of Dorchester County, or the Sheriff of Kent County shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office. This limitation does not apply to an individual appointed or elected after the effective date of this Act to fill out an unexpired term.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2018.

Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 26, 2018.